REGISTER OF CLASSIFICATION DECISIONS

Date of entry in Register:	05 July 2004
Name of applicant/court:	The District Court at Wellington
Applicant to the Labelling Body:	Not Applicable
Title of Publication:	ll-e1-c.jpg
Other Known Title(s):	Not Stated
Director(s):	Not Applicable
Producer(s):	Not Applicable
Publisher:	Not Applicable
Author(s):	Not Applicable
Format:	Computer Image File
Country of Origin:	Not Stated
Language(s):	Not Applicable

Components of film originally examined: Not Applicable.

Feature:	Running Time:
Trailers:	Running Time:
	Total Running Time:

Excision/Alteration: Not Applicable.

Reason(s) for Excision:

Not Applicable.

Classification Decision:

Objectionable.

Display Conditions:

Not Applicable.

Descriptive Note:

Not Applicable.

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Direction to issue a label has been given on: Not Applicable.

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SUMMARY OF THE REASONS FOR DECISION:

The computer image file entitled *ll-e1-c.jpg* is classified as:
Objectionable.

This classification is because the publication promotes and supports the exploitation of children for sexual purposes.

The computer image file contains an image of a young pre-pubescent girl. It is a contrived image with a focus on the subject's splayed vagina and anus, presenting her in a sexualised manner. The image therefore encourages viewers to see the young girl as a sexual object. The Classification Office considers the main purpose of the image to be the sexual arousal and titillation of people with a prurient interest in children.

The classification of this publication interferes with the freedom of expression, as set out in section 14 of the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990, however this is an outcome that is consistent with Parliament's intention that publications falling under s3(2) of the Films, Videos, and Publications Classification Act 1993 are deemed to be objectionable. The classification is also a reasonable limitation on the freedom of expression that reflects the concern of "a free and democratic society" to limit the availability of publications that promote and support the exploitation of children for sexual purposes.

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